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TO: PRIORITY DIRECTOR

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1. AMBASSADOR HELMS HAS REQUESTED PRIORITY BKHERALD RPT BKHERALD EVALUATION OF REPORT BY USDAO TEL AVIV THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAS DELIVERED SA-7 MISSILE SYSTEM TO IRAQ. AMBASSADOR EXPECTS TO BE QUERIED IN THIS BY THE SHAH, WHO WILL PROBABLY DESIRE SIMILAR EQUIPMENT FROM THE USA, IF HE COMES TO BELIEVE IRAQ HAS SUCH MISSILES. FYI: AMBASSADOR IS NOT SATISFIED WITH D.I.A. RESPONSE TO EARLIER REQUEST FOR EVALUATION THIS INFORMATION WHICH WAS SENT BY TEHRAN DAO. AMBASSADOR WANTS TO KNOW WHETHER THE IRAQIS HAVE THE MISSILE OR NOT.

2. TO FACILITATE HQS UNDERSTANDING OF STATUS THIS INQUIRY, WILL REPEAT BELOW DAO TEHRAN QUERY (A) AND DIA REPLY (B):

*[To]*  
A. DIA, WASH D.C. 161102Z APR 1973

~~SECRET NOFORN~~ USDAO 189 APR 73 (DIA FOR DE-2)

SUBJECT: ESTIMATE EVALUATION (U)

EUCOM INTELL SUMMARY CABLE 66-73, DTD 5 APR 73 INDICATED SA-7 APPARENTLY PROVIDED TO IRAQI GROUND UNITS BY USSR. SINCE

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TO THIS COULD HAVE DIRECT EFFECT ON IRANIAN DESIRE FOR SIMILAR U.S. EQUIPMENT IF THEY LEARN OF SITUATION, REQUEST YOUR BEST ESTIMATE OF PROBABILITY THIS INFORMATION IS TRUE.

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B: 191832Z APR 73 ZEX

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TO USDAO TEHRAN IRAN

INFO USEUCOM VAIHINGEN GERMANY

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FROM DI-5A

SUBJ: ESTIMATE EVALUATION (U)

1. ~~(S)~~ REFERENCE YOUR MESSAGE, DTG 161102Z APR 73, WHICH REQUESTED INFORMATION AND STATED THAT EUCOM INTELL SUMMARY CABLE [Redacted] DTD 5 APR 73, INDICATED THAT THE SA-7 WAS APPARENTLY PROVIDED TO IRAQI GROUND UNITS BY USSR.

2. ~~(S/NFD)~~ PRESENCE OF SA-7 SYSTEM IN IRAQ WAS REPORTED BY USDAO TEL AVIV MSG [Redacted] 0112 73, DTD 20 MAR 73. THIS IS ONLY SOURCE OF INFO ON SA-7'S IN IRAQ. THE USSR HAS EXPORTED

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SA-7 TO EGYPT AND SYRIA; IT IS BELIEVED PROBABLE THAT SA-7'S  
HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO IRAQ FOR DEPLOYMENT WITH ARMOR UNITS  
AND THEY WILL PROBABLY BE USED IN TWO MODES: HANDHELD AND  
MOUNTED ON BRDM-2 AND BTR 60. XGDS-3.

3. A PRIORITY REPLY WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED. ~~T2~~

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